

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
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APPLICATION OF

AES SOLUTIONS MANAGEMENT, LLC

CASE NO. PUR-2020-00028

For a license to conduct business as a
provider of electric competitive energy services

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND COMMENT

On March 26, 2020, AES Solutions Management, LLC ("AES" or "Company"), completed an application ("Application") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for a license to act as an aggregator for electricity service.¹ AES seeks authority to provide electricity aggregation services to eligible commercial and industrial customers in the service territories of Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Energy Virginia ("Dominion") and Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative.² In its Application, AES attested that it would abide by all applicable regulations of the Commission as required by 20 VAC 5-312-40 B of the Commission's Rules Governing Retail Access to Competitive Energy Services.³

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the Application, is of the opinion and finds that it should docket AES's Application; AES should serve this Order upon the appropriate persons; Staff shall conduct an investigation of the Application and present its findings in a

¹ AES initially filed its Application on February 13, 2020. On March 5, 2020, and March 26, 2020, the Company filed additional information to complete its Application.

² Retail choice for electricity is only permitted pursuant to the customer classes, load parameter, and renewable energy sources set forth in the Code of Virginia ("Code") and exists only in the service territories of Dominion, Appalachian Power Company, and the electric cooperatives.

³ 20 VAC 5-312-10 *et seq.*

report ("Staff Report"); and interested persons should have an opportunity to comment on the Application. We further find that a Hearing Examiner should be appointed to rule on all discovery matters that arise during the course of this proceeding.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUR-2020-00028.

(2) As provided by Code § 12.1-31 and 5 VAC 5-20-120, *Procedure before hearing examiners*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules of Practice"), a Hearing Examiner is appointed to rule on any discovery issues that may arise during the course of this proceeding.

(3) A copy of the Application and supporting documents may be viewed or downloaded from the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>.

(4) On or before April 10, 2020, AES shall serve a copy of this Order upon the utilities listed on Attachment A to this Order.

(5) On or before April 17, 2020, the Company shall file proof of service as ordered herein with Joel H. Peck, Clerk of the State Corporation Commission.

(6) Any interested person may request a public copy of the Application, accompanying materials, and this Order by directing a request to Christine Hammer, Associate General Counsel, 1065 Woodman Drive, Dayton, Ohio 45432, or Christine.Hammer@aes.com. The Company shall, within three (3) days of receipt of such request, serve the requested documents upon the person making such request.

(7) Written comments on the Application may be filed on or before April 22, 2020, with the Clerk of the Commission. A copy of such comments, whether submitted in writing or

electronically, shall be served upon the Company at the physical or email address set forth in Ordering Paragraph (6). All comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2020-00028.

(8) The Staff shall analyze AES's Application and shall present its findings in a Staff Report to be filed on or before April 29, 2020.

(9) On or before May 6, 2020, the Company and any party who filed comments on the Application may file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any response to the Staff Report.

(10) In accordance with the Commission's revised operating procedures during the COVID-19 emergency, all comments, pleadings, and documents shall be submitted electronically, via <https://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>, to the Clerk of the Commission to the extent authorized by the Commission's Rules of Practice.⁴

(11) The Company shall respond to written interrogatories or data requests within five (5) calendar days after the receipt of the same. Interrogatories and data requests, as well as the responses thereto, shall be transmitted via facsimile or electronic mail. Except as modified herein, discovery shall be in accordance with Part IV of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

(12) This matter is continued.

A COPY hereof shall be sent electronically by the Clerk of the Commission to: Christine Hammer, Associate General Counsel, 1065 Woodman Drive, Dayton, Ohio 45432; and C. Meade Browder, Jr., Senior Assistant Attorney General, Division of Consumer Counsel, Office of the Attorney General, 202 N. 9th Street, 8th Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219-3424. A

⁴ See *Commonwealth of Virginia ex rel. State Corporation Commission, Ex Parte: Revised Operating Procedures During COVID-19 Emergency*, Case No. CLK-2020-00005, Doc. Con. Cen. No. 200330042, Order Regarding the State Corporation Commission's Revised Operating Procedures During COVID-19 Emergency (Mar. 19, 2020).

copy also shall be delivered to the Commission's Office of General Counsel and Divisions of Utility Accounting and Finance and Public Utility Regulation.

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